

HOUSTON AREA HIV SERVICES RYAN WHITE PLANNING COUNCIL



We envision an educated community where the needs of all persons living with HIV and/or affected individuals are met by accessible, effective, and culturally sensitive health and psychosocial services that are part of a fully coordinated system. The community will continue to intervene responsibly until the end of the epidemic.

The Houston Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA) Ryan White Planning Council will improve the quality of life and advocate for those living with and/or affected by HIV by taking a leadership role in the planning and assessment of HIV resources.

MINUTES

12 noon, Thursday, February 14, 2019

Meeting Location: Ryan White Offices, 2223 W. Loop South, Rm 532; Houston, Texas 77027

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS PRESENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Bruce Turner, Chair	Niquita Moret	Shabaura Perryman, Merck
John Poole, Vice Chair	Allen Murray	
Tana Pradia, Secretary	Matilda Padilla	STAFF PRESENT
Veronica Ardoin	Shital Patel	<i>Ryan White Grant Administration</i>
Ted Artiaga	Faye Robinson	Carin Martin
Rosalind Belcher	Pete Rodriguez	Heather Keizman
Tony Crawford	Gloria Sierra	Samantha Bowen
Bobby Cruz	Crystal Starr	
Johnny Deal	Carol Suazo	<i>The Resource Group</i>
Ronnie Galley	Isis Torrente	Sha'Terra Johnson-Fairley
Ahmier Gibson		Crystal Townsend
Gregory Hamilton		
Angela F. Hawkins	MEMBERS ABSENT	<i>Office of Support</i>
Allison Hesterman	Connie L. Barnes, excused	Tori Williams
Dawn Jenkins	Arlene Johnson	Amber Harbolt
Daphne L. Jones	J. Hoxi Jones, excused	Diane Beck
Mel Joseph	Peta-gay Ledbetter, excused	
Denis Kelly	Tom Lindstrom, excused	
Holly McLean	Robert Noble	
Rodney Mills	Imran Shaikh, excused	

Call to Order: Bruce Turner, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

During the opening remarks, Turner welcomed all members of the 2019 Ryan White Planning Council and introduced the new members. He thanked the members of the 2018 Operations Committee for developing and hosting the 2019 Mentor Luncheon and the 2019 all-day Council Orientation. Many thanks to the staff for doing the behind-the-scenes organizing for both events – especially Rod who spent

weeks preparing for both events. He also thanked Cecilia and Matilda for representing the Council in Pasadena at 9 am on Saturday at a town hall meeting related to health in Harris County.

At the first Steering Committee of the year, members were invited to suggest ideas that should be considered during the 2019 planning process. A summary of these ideas is the first item in the Council handouts at everyone's place. He asked that everyone take a moment to review it.

Adoption of the Agenda: ***Motion #1:** it was moved and seconded (Starr, Galley) to adopt the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.*

Approval of the Minutes: ***Motion #2:** it was moved and seconded (Kelly, Artiaga) to approve the December 6, 2018 minutes. Motion carried.* Abstentions: Ardoin, Crawford, Deal, Gibson, Hamilton, Hesterman, Joseph, McLean, Robinson, Rodriguez, Starr.

Training: Texas Open Meetings Act: Venita Ray, presented the attached PowerPoint presentation.

Public Comment and Announcements: None.

Reports from Committees

Comprehensive HIV Planning Committee: No Report.

Affected Community Committee: No report.

Quality Improvement Committee: No report.

Priority and Allocations Committee: No report. Cruz said the committee will meet on February 28th to determine the FY 2020 Priority Setting Process, Principles and Criteria, and Policy on Allocating Unspent Funds.

Operations Committee: Ronnie Galley, Co-Chair, reported on the following:

2019 Mentor/Mentee Luncheon: The 2019 Mentor/Mentee Luncheon, which was hosted by the 2018 Operations Committee, was well attended.

2019 Council Orientation: The 2019 Council Orientation, which was hosted by the 2018 Operations Committee, was well attended.

2018 Project LEAP: See the attached 2018 Project LEAP Evaluation.

2019 Project LEAP: ***Motion #3:** Approve the attached 2019 Project LEAP Service Definition and Student Selection Criteria. Motion Carried.* Galley said that applications are currently being accepted for 2019 Project LEAP.

2019 Council Activities: Tori Williams, Director, reviewed the Petty Cash Memo, 2019 Timeline of Critical Council Activities, and the Texas Open Meetings Act Training Memo. See attached.

Report from Office of Support: Tori Williams, Director, summarized the attached report.

Report from Ryan White Grant Administration: Carin Martin, Manager, summarized the attached report.

Report from The Resource Group: Sha'Terra Johnson-Fairly, Health Planner, summarized the attached report.

Medical Updates: Dr. Patel presented the attached report.

Community Prevention Group (CPG): Kelly presented the attached report.

Updates from Task Forces

African American: Johnson-Fairly said that they had an event last Thursday for National Black HIV Awareness Day and in celebration of 20 years of the African American State of Emergency Task Force.

Youth: Kelly said they are working on a youth resource workshop to be held in June.

HIV and Aging Coalition: Turner said they have a new liaison at the Montrose Center, David Latini. He will be the speaker at the next meeting on Monday, February 25 at 3pm.

Texas HIV Medication Advisory Committee: Turner said they are currently seeking applications from various individuals including consumers, doctors, and pharmacists.

Positive Women's Network (PWN): Pradia said they are hosting a legislative training on Friday at 6pm at Bering. She distributed flyers.

Texas Black Women's Initiative (TBWI): Johnson-Fairly said they are working on an event for National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day in March. The focus will be PrEP for black women in Texas. They will also be holding a Bee-You-tiful Hair and Health event this fall.

PrEP and Data to Care Campaigns: Kelly said that they campaign is rolling out later this month.

Texas HIV Syndicate: Harbolt said that the Achieve Together plan is available online. The first year implementation is focusing on expanding the plan throughout the state and having people take the pledge.

END HIV Houston: Townsend presented the attached report.

Texans Living with HIV Network: Pradia said that they started a year ago and are now accepting membership applications. They will eventually host a community conference call.

Announcements: Pradia and Kelly will be going to Austin for health care advocacy day next week. Harbolt said that the first meeting of the Needs Assessment Group (NAG) will be on Monday at 1pm in room 416. Starr said Transform Houston is hosting an Nondiscrimination Town Hall Meeting On Saturday, February 16th at the Montrose Library.


Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Victoria Williams, Director

Date 03/01/19

Draft Certified by
Council Chair:


Date 03/07/19

Final Approval by
Council Chair:


Date 03/14/19

Council Voting Records for February 14, 2019

MEMBERS	Motion #1 Agenda Carried			Motion #2 Minutes Carried			Motion #3 2019 LEAP Svc Def & Student Selection guidelines Carried		
	ABSENT	YES	NO	ABSENT	YES	NO	ABSENT	YES	NO
C = Chair of the meeting ja = Just arrived lm = Left the meeting lr = Left the room VP = Via phone									
MEMBERS									
Bruce Turner, Chair			C						
John Poole, Vice Chair ja 12:17pm	X			X					
Tana Pradia, Secretary		X			X				
Veronica Ardoin		X			X				
Ted Artiaga		X			X				
Rosalind Belcher ja 12:17pm	X				X				
Tony Crawford		X			X				
Bobby Cruz		X			X				
Johnny Deal		X			X				
Ronnie Galley		X			X				
Ahmier Gibson		X			X				
Gregory Hamilton		X			X				
Angela F. Hawkins ja 12:19pm	X				X				
Allison Hesterman		X			X				
Dawn Jenkins ja 12:22pm	X				X				
Daphne L. Jones ja 12:08pm	X				X				
Hoxi Jones		X			X				
Mel Joseph		X			X				
Denis Kelly		X			X				
Holly McLean		X			X				